

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re Application of:

Jianbo Lu

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Examiner: Sy, Mariano Ong

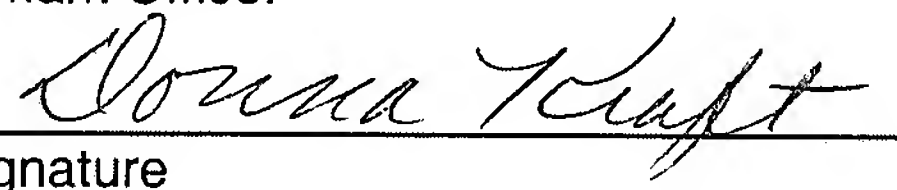
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING AN AUTOMOTIVE
VEHICLE USING BRAKE-STEER AND NORMAL LOAD ADJUSTMENT

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**APPELLANTS' REPLY TO EXAMINER'S ANSWER AND RESPONSE TO REJECTION OF
CLAIM 37**

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Answer dated March 27, 2007, and having a shortened statutory period for response running to and including May 27, 2007, Appellants respond as follows:

REMARKS

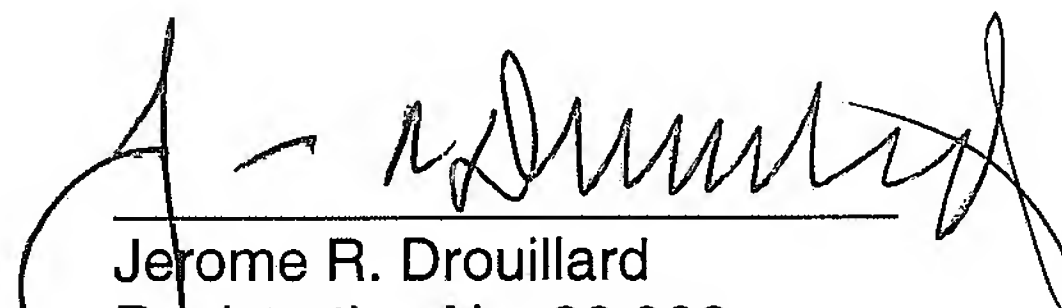
In the Examiner's Answer dated March 27, 2007, Claim 37, which was previously not addressed by the Examiner, was rejected. In response, Appellants respectfully reiterate each and every argument made in Section VII of their Appeal Brief, regarding Claims 1-6, 8-10, 12, 14-20, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28, 30-32, 34, 35, 38, 39, 41-44, and 47.

In Section 10 of the Examiner's Answer, the Examiner asserts that Wessman teaches determination of a "parking mode"; the Examiner concludes with the statement that:

" 'parking mode' is a relatively broad phrase and if Appellants think that Wessman(sic) reference does not disclose detecting a parking mode then Appellants' disclosure will also fail to do so."

Appellants respectfully submit that the Examiner need look no further than paragraphs 98 through 100 of Appellants' specification for a detailed explication of what "parking mode" means in the context of the present case. In contrast, Wessman teaches nothing regarding parking of a vehicle, and Appellants continue to maintain that the Examiner's rejection of each of the claims in this case should be reversed.

Respectfully submitted,



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